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Mail Stop Amendment

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 10/514,427; § 371 Date: November 16, 2004  
For: **Substituted 4-Aryl-4H-pyrrolo[2,3-h]chromenes and Analogs as  
Activators of Caspases and Inducers of Apoptosis and the Use  
Thereof**  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) for \$120.00 to cover the fee for an extension for response within the first month;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, with attachment (SciFinder search); and
4. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

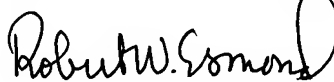
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Respectfully submitted,

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